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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, immediately following the title, please insert the following sentence: --

a¹ This is a nationalization of PCT/DK00/00697
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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3, 5-8, 10-11, 18-20, 23-24, 28, 30, 32-39, 43-44, 50-51, 55-57, 60 and 62-63 as follows:

a² 3. (amended) The prosthetic device according to claim 1, wherein the first polymeric component and the second polymeric component are compounded to form a bidispergent system.

a³ 5. (amended) The prosthetic device according to claim 1, wherein the second polymeric component is selected from polyacrylates, polystyrene, polyethers, polytetrafluorethylene, polyvinylalcohol, polyethylene, and polypropylene.